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COLD STORAGE REPORT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1940

Frozen and cured meat holdings were reduced by 97 million pounds, and lard stocks by nearly 38 million pounds during September, according to October 1 reports from warehousemen to the Agricultural Marketing Service. Creamery butter holdings during the same period were reduced by 6 million pounds, all frozen fruits by $5\frac{1}{2}$ million, shell eggs by nearly a million and a quarter cases, and frozen eggs by 15 million pounds. On the other hand, frozen vegetable stocks were increased by nearly 3 million pounds; all cheese by about a $\frac{1}{2}$ million, and all poultry by $8\frac{1}{4}$ million pounds.

The October 1 cold storage report contains the first seasonal indication of storage holdings of apples; the reported total is 8,109,000 bushels compared with an average of 8,237,000 for the 1935-39 period. Harvesting operations, however, have delayed some reports on holdings in certain areas, and consequently it is known that the current October 1 figures are incomplete. Reports for later months normally represent a rather complete coverage of storage holdings.

Reports on space occupancy from 195 public warehouses indicate that 59 percent of available net piling space was occupied on October 1 as compared with 60 percent for September 1. The average occupancy of coolers was 56 percent as compared with 57 percent for September, and freezers 69 percent as compared with 68 percent.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES FRESH FRUITS

Incomplete returns from apple cold storages indicate stocks equivalent to 8,109,000 bushels on hand October 1, compared with an average of 8,237,000 bushels for the 5-year (1935-39) period. Harvest operations caused delay in the October reports of holdings for a limited number of areas. Later seasonal reports normally are found to be more representative.

FROZEN FRUITS

October 1, 1940, stocks of all frozen and preserved fruits totaled 160,809,000. This indicates net withdrawals of 5,594,000 pounds during September. October 1, 1939, stocks were 142,087,000 pounds and the October 1 5-year (1935-39) average 117,403,000 pounds. Of the total quantity reported, 34,543,000 pounds were unclassified by variety.

FROZEN VEGETABLES

Stocks of frozen vegetables were reported as 81,107,000 pounds, an apparent net increase during September of 2,729,000 pounds. The increases were noted for Lima and snap beans, sweet corn, and miscellaneous items while all other varieties were decreased. Unclassified totaled 4,731,000 pounds.

Contents of October 1 Cold Storage Report

Separate tables appearing in this report show United States stocks on hand on October 1, this year compared with previous periods, for the following groups of commodities:

Fresh Fruits and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables; page 3
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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

(See table on page 8 for October 1, 1940, holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	Oct. 1, 5-yr.av.	Oct. 1,	Sept. 1,	Oct. 1,
FRUITS, FRESH	1935-39	- Thous		
Apples barrels Mestern boxes' Apples Eastern boxes Apples bushel baskets TOTAL bushels	162 2,397 1/ 5,354 8,237	2,379 3,775 3,609		52 2,828 2,884 2,241 8,109
Pears, Bartlettspacked boxes Pears, Bartlettsloose boxes Pears, all other varietiesboxes Pearsbushel baskets	238 677 2,218	206 313 2,653 152		67 548 2,019 179
FRUITS, FROZEN 2/ Blackberries	Data for these earlier years not compara- ble 117,403	8,592 2,866 28,317 3,520 10,165 44,930 17,452 26,245 142,087	8,689 2,437 29,813 3,419 15,250 54,990 15,050 36,755	9,630 3,914 27,404 3,028 14,833 50,433 17,024 34,543
VEGETABLES, FROZEN Asparagus pounds. Beans, lima " Beans, snap " Broccoli, green " Corn, sweet " Peas, green " Spinach " Other vegetables " Classification not reported " TOTAL "	His- torical data not avail- ble	6,305 18,366 7,218 1,236 7,640 28,207 2,586 2,279 4,423	7:087 9,564 6,387 914 4,943 39,254 3,816 2,565 3,848	6,655 11,235 7,456 899 5,964 37,750 3,679 2,738 4,731

^{1/} Previously included with "bushel baskets".

^{2/} See also table on page 7 showing reported segregation by small and large containers.

Creamery butter stocks were reduced during September by 6,295,000 pounds. For the same period of 1939, the net withdrawals from storage totaled 18,231,000 and the 5-year (1935-39) average was 7,255,000 pounds. October 1 holdings totaled 127,971,000 pounds and were 26,623,000 below those of October 1, 1939, and 20,359,000 below average. The Dairy Products Marketing Association reported that it had no holdings and Surplus Marketing Administration stocks were down to 73,000 pounds. A year ago on October 1, IFMA held 17,949,000 pounds and Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation and relief agencies 8,420,000 pounds.

Cheese stocks, all varieties, totaled 148,616,000 pounds, an increase from September 1 of 443,000 pounds. October 1 holdings exceeded those of a year earlier by 32,055,000 pounds and the 5-year average by 27,641,000.

Stocks of eggs - both shell and frozen - were reduced by the equivalent of 1,632,000 cases. Total holdings on October 1 were greater by 870,000 equivalent cases than those of a year earlier, and were 599,000 cases above average. Stocks of shell eggs on October 1 totaled 6,039,000 cases, including SMA holdings of 901,000.

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Total stocks of all poultry were 90,446,000 pounds, an increase from September 1 of 8,268,000 pounds. This into-storage movement during September compares with 294,000 pounds for September 1939 and 4,939,000 for the 5-year average. October 1, 1940, stocks were 27,282,000 pounds heavier than those of a year earlier and 29,118,000 above average. All varieties of poultry with the exception of turkeys showed increases.

(See table on page 9 for October 1, 1940, heldings by geographic divisions) Oct. 1, Oct. 1, Sept. 1, Oct. 1, Commodity 5-yr.av. 1939 1940 1940 1935-39 - Thousands -CREAM Forty percent............40-qt. cans 214 141 256 233 Twenty percent..... BUTTER 148,330 Creamery, total.....pounds.... 154,594 134,266 17,949 DPMA holdings..... 8,420 SMA* & Relief holdings.. 198 73 122,622 134,068 Commercial stocks..... 128,225. 127,898 40 63 Packing stock..... 372 CHEESE American..... 104,200 125,300 127,054 97,530 Swiss including block..... 5,297 5,364 5,190 5,432 991 1,462 Brick and Munster..... 1,083 1,232 Limburger..... 990 1,518 1,268 1,203 9,497 11,066 14,953 All other varieties..... 13,695 116,561 148,616 148,173 TOTAL CHEESE 120,975 EGGS 5,885 5,430 7,241 Shell.....cases..... 1/6,039 145,653 115,049 121,471 130,621 Frozen....pounds.... Frozen 2/.....equivalent cases..... 3,471 4,162 3,287 3,732 11,403 TOTAL EGGS 3/....cases..... 8,901 9,771 9,172 FROZEN POULTRY Broilers.....pounds.... 6,247 11,479 9,025 8,317 3,748 6,716 Fryers..... 4,506 2,539 6.066 Roasters.... 6;172 3,365 6,844 10,725 11,095 Fowls.... 19,807 21,974 7,994 6,248 Turkeys..... 21,090 15,344 10,005 8,256 11,034 11,637 Ducks..... 13,942 Miscellaneous poultry..... 14,581 12,350 13,483 4/ 5,746 Unclassified frozen poultry 6,781 63,164 90,446 TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY. 82,178 61,328

The Surplus Marketing Administration (formerly The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation). Includes 900,915 cases owned by the Surplus Marketing Administration for relief distribution.

Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 35 pounds to the case.

SPECIAL NOTE: 79 percent of total frozen eggs reported as of October 1, 1940, were classified as follows: Whites - 29 percent; Yolks - 23 percent; and Mixed - 48 percent.

Carried under "Miscellaneous poultry" previous to January 1, 1940.

MEATS AND LARD

Heavy reductions in total stocks of frozen and cured meats occurred during September. A slight increase in beef stocks (less than a million pounds) was noted but pork holdings showed net withdrawals of 88,825,000 pounds.

Beef holdings, totaling 36,359,000 pounds, were about half a million pounds less than those on hand on October 1, 1939, and 12 million below the 5-year (1935-39) average for October 1.

Total pork stocks - 328,739,000 pounds - exceeded those of a year earlier by 28,513,000 pounds and the average by 28,898,000.

Lard holdings, totaling 234,594,000 pounds, exceeded those of a year earlier by nearly 156 million pounds and the 5-year average by about 157 million pounds.

The net reduction in lard stocks was 37,696,000 for the month. During September a year ago withdrawals were 31,584,000 and the average 24,138,000 pounds.

(See table on page 9 for October 1, 1940, holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity	Oct. 1, 5-yr.av. 1935-39	Oct. 1, 1939	Sept. 1, 1940	Oct. 1, 1940
BEEF		- Thousand	d pounds -	
Frozen	33,903 10,793 4,031 48,727	26,691 7,248 2,978 36,917	25,649 7,283 2,731 35,663	25,689 7,896 2,774 36,359
PORK Frozen	61,966 28,303 26,750 117,562 65,260 299,841	67,975 34,270 28,493 115,928 53,560 300,226	141,843 42,350 34,057 123,582 75,732 417,564	86,179 31,338 26,003 120.162 65,057 * 328,739
LAMB AND MUTTON Frozen	2,384	2,965	3,192	3,412
TRIMMINGS AND EDIBLE OFFAL Frozen and cured	56,065	59,392	66,971	58,258
TOTAL MEATS	407,017	399,500	523,390	426,768
LARD	77,700	78,794	272,290	*234,594

^{*} Included in the totals reported for pork and lard are 64 million pounds and 64½ million, respectively, owned by the Surplus Marketing Administration and yet to be delivered. These quantities, were reported as of September 28.

HOLDINGS OF SPECIFIED COMMODITIES, BY STATES, OCTOBER 1, 1940

STATE	Cream (40-qt. cans)	Butter Lbs.	American cheese Lbs.	Eggs Cases	Frozen eggs	Total poultry Lbs.
			!!	ousands -	1	
Massachusetts Other States	7	4,043 550	2,487 648	74 24	2,020 988	4,456 447
NEW ENGLAND		4,593	3,135	. 98	3,008	4,903
New York	163	12,181 7,816 5,266 25,263	12,726 5,060 2,364 20,150	537 459 293 1,289	8,043 6,591 4,413 19,047	20,518 9,859 3,390 33,767
Ohio. Indiana. Illinois. Michigan. Wisconsin. EAST N. CENTRAL	2 3 3 11	6,203 1,579 36,128 3,945 2,622 50,477	972 344 7,049 851 67,846 77,062	464 32 1,836 202 67 2,601	8,006 1,818 24,840 1,556 1,542 37,762	3,411 729 18,379 1,500 450 24,469
Minnesota. Iowa. Missouri. Nebraska. Kansas. Dakotas. WEST N. CENTRAL	9 15	10,705 5,847 4,822 2,437 1,753 1,170 26,734	937 49 4,348 542 696 	156 146 358 106 215 5	3,906 4,136 22,024 6,736 9,034 32 45,868	2,415 1,518 5,649 5,686 1,225 8 16,501
SOUTH ATLANTIC		1,666	3,964	135	2,834	1,849
Kentucky Tennessee Alabama & Mississippi. EAST S. CENTRAL		787 1,194 463 2,444	622 1,129 692 2,443	31 138 26 	640 1,072 315 2,027	2,188 432 66 2,686
Oklahoma		2,581 2,648 772 6,001	120 3,148 420 3,688	. 51 88 16 155	3,399 9,035 1,426 13,860	117 659 62 838
Colorado Other States MOUNTAIN		984 892 1,876	339 1,792 2,131	72 32 104	838 187 1,025	254 383 637
Washington Oregon California PACIFIC.		3,754 471 4,692 8,917	569 752 6,588 7,909	160 27 289 476	1,371 337 3,482 5,190	1,425 371 3,000 4,796
Other States, combined for cream only	7					
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UNITED STATES	236	127,971	12 7 ,054	6,039	130,621	90,446

APPLES: HOLDINGS IN COLD STORAGE BY STATES

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-		0c	tober 1, 19	940		October 1, 1939
STATE	Barrels	Во:	xes	Baskets	Total	Total
	2011015	Western	Eastern		bushels	bushels
			-	Thousands	-	
Massachusetts.	<u> </u>	13	610	1	624	503
New York	5		1,745	256	2,016	3,380
New Jersey	-	4.	67	75	146	193
Pennsylvania	3	25	33	130	197	293
Illinois	-	6	40	225	271	501
Missouri		, 5	28	317	350	421
Virginia	16	40	201	738	1,027	1,141
West Virginia.	-		27	53	80	205
Washington	_	1,896	-	-	1,896	1,509
Oregon	_	243	_	-	243	191
California	7	554	177	446	55 ⁴	367
Other States	28	42	133	446	705	1,395
UNITED STATES	52	2,828	2,884	2,241	8,109	10,099

PEARS: HOLDINGS IN COLD STORAGE BY STATES

	October 1, 1940	October 1, 1939
STATE	Boxes and bushel baskets	Boxes and busehl baskets
	- Thous	sands -
New York New Jersey Pennsylvania Illinois Washington Oregon California Other States.!	314 57 19 39 747 1,077 497	226 96 10 33 778 1,621 513 47
UNITED STATES	2,813	3,324

HOLDINGS IN LARGE AND SMALL CONTAINERS SEPTEMBER 1 and OCTOBER 1, 1940 FROZEN FRUITS:

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Commodity	In small ((Less than 30		In bulk or large containers (30 lb. or greater capacity)		
	September 1	October 1	September 1	October 1	
		- Thousar	nd pounds -		
Blackberries. Blueberries. Cherries. Logan and similar berries. Raspberries. Strawberries. Other fruits. Classification not reported	248 1,086 2,250 586 1,894 12,060 3,593 7,295	468 1,150 2,218 476 1,762 11,274 3,569 9,020	8,441 1,351 27,563 2,833 13,356 42,930 11,457 29,460	9,162 2,764 25,186 2,552 13,071 39,159 13,455 25,523	
TOTAL	29,012	29,937	137,391	130,872	

	Total	2,828 2,828 2,884 2,241	67 548 2,019 179	1,150 2,218 2,218 1,762 11,274 12,589	9,162 2,764 25,186 25,186 2,552 13,071 39,159	9,630 3,914 27,404 3,028 14,833 50,433	6,655 11,235 7,436 7,436 899 37,750 37,750 3,679 7,469
	Pacific	2,692	31 436 1,846	224 2 79 358 425 4,054 7,302	6,411 16 2,087 1,651 2,581 15,443	6,635 18 2,166 2,009 3,006 19,497 23,362	642 930 652 108 977 6,758 2,657
ISIONS	Mountain	16014	ніню	20 20 135 135	27-7-29-27-4-133-3-5-9-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8	20 275 100 30 504	27 36 35 11 152 11
DIVISI	West South Central	. 15	, HHW1	23 23 52 52 52	52 100 17 883 419	54 103 4 37 1,159	97 98 98 24 25 219 213 273
RAPHIC	East South Central	ands - 3 3 29 29	inni	100 100 333	114 85 85 117 222 185	114 7 85 7 127 350 518	33 12 12 20 80 43
BY GEOG	South Atlantic	- Thous 17 41 245 831	н і ню	44 40 186 132 1,056 403	951 259 259 159 1,199	955 78 445 57 291 3,872	238 951 473 24 150 955 140 315
1940,	West North Central	2 2 2 423	nıoı	9 107 2 204 347 347	330 212 212 990 47 198 1,592	339 263 1,097 49 49 402 1,939 943	141 201 132 32 32,778 2,778 65 299
BER 1,	East North Central	24 24 107 493	14 31 24	211 277 613 77 500 2,167 1,799	409 767 5,926 7,831 2,874 6,634 5,186	620 1,044 6,539 6,539 3,374 8,801 6,985	816 1,195 1,621 100 934 4,239 957 684
, octo	Middle Atlantic	9 30 1,844	13 109 126 142	15 663 1,208 15 292 2,124 2,124	789 1,542 15,076 1,076 5,292 9,540 14,953	804 2,205 16,284 195 5,584 11,664	4,493 7,508 4,310 550 2,865 19,972 1,976 2,732
HOLDINGS	New England	13 659 1	1100	3 93 21 162 987 151	104 182 389 389 1,820 1,660	107 275 410 99 1,982 2,647	168 251 124 45 2,526 176 99
COLD STORAGE HO	Commodity	ApplesApplesApplesApplesApplesApplesApplesApplesApplesApplesApples	Pears, Bartlettsloose boxes Pears, all other varietiesboxes Pears, all other varietiesboxes	ERUITS, FROZEN In small containers Blackberries Blueberries Cherries Logan and similar berries Raspberries Strawberries Other fruits	In bulk or large containers Blackberries Blueberries Cherries Logan and similar berries Raspberries Strawberries Other fruits	Blackberries Blueberries Blueberries Cherries Logan and similar berries Strawberries Cherries Logan and containes Raspberries Other fruits	Asparagus. Beans, lima. Beans, snap. Broccoli, green. Corn, sweet. Spinach. Other vegetables.

COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS,		OCTOBER 1	, 1940,	BY G	EOGRAPHI	0	DIVISIONS	(CONT !	· · ·		(10
Commodity	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total	/11/40
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	o 1	179	17 5	25	Q I	1 1	дI,	1 1	1 1	233	
Butter, packing stock "	4,593	25,263	50,477	26,734	1,666	2,444	6,001	1,876	8,917	127,971	
Cheese, American	3,135	20,150 675 48 299 6,8±2	77,062 4,297 936 870 1,756	6,572 31 50 50 31 715	3,964 36 7 1 272	2,443 7 3 2,001	3,688 45 123 124 456	2,131 208 . 64 	. 7,909	127,054 5,432 1,232 1,203 13,695	
Eggs, snellpounds	3,008	1,289	2,601	936 45,868	135 2,834	195	13,860	1,025	476 5,190	6,039	
Broilers pounds Fryers Roasters Fowls Ducks Unclassified frozen poultry Unclassified frozen poultry "	2,516 1,169 1,169 5,016 1,169 5,12	2,383 2,008 2,008 4,948 6,890 9,717 995	2,390 1,928 1,966 8,558 3,524 1,159 645	2,457 2,457 2,510 1,712 1,834 4,835	116 282 392 335 221 230 250	267 70 45 293 106 68 1,774	65 11 54. 76 76 76 70 70		2,410 2,410 384 49	8,317 6,066 6,844 21,974 15,344 11,637 13,483	
Beef, frozenpounds Beef, in process of cure Beef, cured	. 957 14 8	5,917 1,106 821	7,103 4,108 1,173	5,089 2,096 624	1,437	654 60 -	1,395 146 6	543 28 29	2,594 171 71	25,689 7,896 2,774	
Pork, dry salt in process of cure Pork, dry salt cured Pork, pickled in process of cure Pork, pickled cured	1,01± 35± 343 3,677 1,298	7,820 1,718 475 8,317 3,130	33,042 11,119 9,220 42,140 23,855	31,783 14,624 12,766 51,136 30,615	3,530 1,172 1,585 2,604 1,332	1,551 620 431 1,635 641	2,519 884 727 4 ,323	1,432 260 209 1,989	3,488 587 247 4,341 2,316	86,179 31,338 26,003 120,162 65,057	
Lamb and mutton, frozen"	139	1,611	736	440	100	1	161	2	193	3,412	
Frozen and cured trimmings and edible offal	922	10,881	15,991	18,964	5,387	1,508	1,858	1,252	1,495	58,258	
Lard	642	6,961	190,271	31,688	1,412	539	1,319	542	1,220	234,594	
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1/ Includes DFMA, SMA, and relief noldings, as well as commercial stocks.

OCCUPANCY OF AVAILABLE COLD STORAGE SPACE IN PUBLIC WAREHOUSES

UNITED STATES

October 1, 1940, with comparisons

D- 4-	Number	r.A.	vailable space	ce	Space occupied			
Date	concerns reporting	Coolers	Freezers	Combined	Coolers	Freezers	Combined	
		an						
January 1. February 1. March 1 April 1 June 1 July 1 August 1 September 1** October 1**	251 260 256 250 243 237 239 237 239 195	100,770 104,785 108,387 114,126 102,321 101,681 107,321 103,656 97,690 83,123	50,119 52,229 50,473 54,707 47,791 47,120 51,037 49,671 46,561 36,451	150,889 157,014 158,860 168,833 150,112 148,801 158,358 153,327 144,251 119,574	44,899 40,424 38,313 44,305 42,914 48,007 59,633 61,417 56,759 47,883	33,185 34,726 32,156 32,186 27,153 27,751 34,336 35,535 31,500 24,994	78,084 75,150 70,469 76,491 70,067 75,758 93,969 96,952 88,259 72,877	

^{*} Revised. ** Preliminary.

PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED, BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS

September 1 and October 1, 1940

		Septembe	r 1, 1940*			Octobe	r 1, 1940**	
Geographic divisions	Number concerns	Coolers	Freezers	Combined	Number concerns	Coolers	Freezers	Combined
			- Percent	-			- Percent	<u>t</u> - ,
New England Middle Atlantic East No Central West N. Central South Atlantic. East So Central West S. Central Mountain Pacific	10 47 42 29 29 6 19 11 46	39 51 79 61 47 40 47 65 54	58 66 74 72 60 83 43 74 72	47 55 77 66 50 51 46 68 58	10 38 40 25 15 2 21 11 33	46 49 75 63 62 23 44 52 48	63 66 73 68 75 71 67 66 73	55 53 74 65 65 26 49 56 54
United States 1/	239	57	68	60	195	56	69	59

^{*} Revised. ** Preliminary.

Result of weighting geographic division percentage figures by respective proportion of total U.S. available space in public cold storage warehouses.